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SUBJECT: PRC RICE EXPORTS TO TANZANIA

THE FOLLOWING TEL FROM DAR ES SALAAM DATED DEC 1, 1973 TO
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1. TANZANIAN RICE IMPORTS FROM PRC WERE 8,486 TONS CY 1971 AND
5,741 TONS CY 1972. OUR VERY ROUGH ESTIMATE FOR CY 1973 PLACES
PRC RICE IMPORTS NEAR 1971 FIGURES. PUBLISHED FIGURES SHOW NO
RE-EXPORTS OF CHINESE RICE.

2. DIFFICULTY IN ESTIMATING TANZANIAN IMPORTS OF PRC RICE IS
THAT TANZANIAN RICE IMPORTS HANDLED BY TWO AGENCIES--BOTH
UNAPPROACHABLE FROM STANDPOINT OF GATHERING RELIABLE STATISTICS.
ONE RICE IMPORTER IS ZANZIBAR GOVERNMENT WHICH, WE UNDERSTAND, HAS
AGREEMENT, RUNNING SEPTEMBER 1, 1973 TO AUGUST 31, 1974, TO IMPORT

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9,000 TONS OF PRC RICE. THIS AGREEMENT MAY BE AMENDED NEXT YEAR

TO AN EVEN HIGHER TOTAL TO COVER ANTICIPATED SHORTFALL IN RICE
SUPPLY FROM OTHER SOURCES. OTHER IMPORTER IS PRC MISSION
CONSTRUCTING TAZARA RAILROAD. WE UNDERSTAND TAZARA'S 17,000
CHINESE WORKERS WILL EAT ONLY CHINESE RICE AND MAY CONSUME
2-3,000 TONS ANNUALLY. SOME OF THIS RICE UNDOUBTEDLY RE-EXPORTED
(UNOFFICIALLY) TO ZAMBIA TO FEED CHINESE WORK CREWS STATIONED
THERE.
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